

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 4, 6 - 11 and 13 - 20 remain in the application.

Claim Objections

The present Office Action objects to Claims 1 - 4, 6-11 and 13 -20 because of informalities. The present Office Action alleges the Claims 1, 8 and 15 are not descriptive in what is meant by "automatically" configuring a device to communicate on a communication network. During an Examiner interview, the Examiner voiced concern regarding the meaning of "automatically" and suggested the language "without any user input" be added to the Claims. Applicant's representative, Mr. John Ryan responded by indicating that "automatically" was defined but in an effort to address the Examiner's concerns was willing consider some additional language. Mr. Ryan voiced concerns that the suggested "without any user input" language could be misconstrued as overly limiting. For example, a user might turn on the device and then the device would automatically configure for communication. Mr. Ryan suggested "without user interference" may be more appropriate than the "without any user input" language and would discuss with the Client. Accordingly, Applicant has included the language "without user interference" in the Claims 1, 8 and 15.

Allowed Subject Matter

The present Office Action indicates that Claims 1 - 4, 6 -11 and 13 - 20 are allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for acknowledging allowed subject matter.

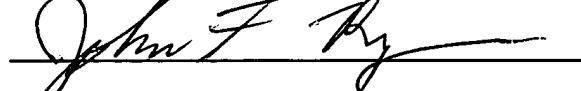
CONCLUSION

In light of the above-listed amendments, Applicant respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for the remaining Claims. The examiner is urged to contact Applicant's undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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